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Secretary Treasury Department
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Emil Sonnek

To the Honorable Secretary of the Treasury Department Washington D. C.

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Sends Coin for Examination and valuation

Treasury Department
January 14/86.

Respectfully referred to the Director of the Mint

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Secretary
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January 15, 1887.

Respectfully referred to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia

Jas P. Kimball
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Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

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